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I am writing at the Director of Technology for the Contoocook Valley School District. In our district, we use digital resources to provide a 21st century instructional environment for our students, administer online assessments, make data-driven decisions, and support a myriad other systems which support the teaching and learning process for 11 schools which are spread out across 9 towns.

However, our network can't always keep up with demand, and the need for a reliable high-speed network is only going to increase in the near future. Two of our schools are located in towns where high speed broadband connections are not even available. We know that as we add more digital devices to the learning environments in our schools and more online management systems to our daily processes, we will continue to max out our networks.

We have relied on E-Rate funding to help defray the costs of creating digital environments. Please expand the program, while also streamlining the filing and reporting processes! Thank you.

Regards,

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